GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATISATION OF IGI AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to privatise the IGI Airport, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of the Scheme; and

(c) the time by which the IGI Airport will be comparable with the finest airports of the world?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) and (b): Government had approved the proposal for restructuring of the airports as and when found suitable through long term lease. In the first instance, the airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata have been taken up forprivatisation through long term leasing. Financial and Legal Consultants have been appointed to advise on all aspects of the long term leasing. Selection of the lessees for these airports will be taken up through an open competitive global bidding process, based on pre-determined objective selection criteria. The airports would be leased out to the selected bidders, for a specified period, through a formal/legal agreement, on due payment.
(c) : The long term lease will stipulate various performance standards and benchmarks for quality of service to be achieved over a period of time, which would ensure early upgradation of IGI Airport to world class standards.